

## Fairlington Villages, A Condominium Association

- Straddles Arlington and Alexandria
- 1703 units
- 95 acres
- 3500 residents
- Historic Designation



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- \$5 million budget
- Professionally managed by Legum
   & Norman
- 2003 "Association of the Year"
- www.fairlingtonvillages.com

#### **Trash Collection Overview**

- 6-day-a-week trash pickup by Capitol Services
  - Weekly recycling
- Leaves and yard debris picked up as needed by grounds contractor (Lancaster Landscapes)
- Violation enforcement process
- \$249,000 in FY05 trash removal costs

#### Trash Data (2004)

- Household Non-recycled 6,127 tons
- Household recycling 1,089 tons
- Leaf and debris recycling -- 675 tons
- Total recycling percentage 22%

#### **Recycling Program**

- Every Wednesday
- Bottles, plastics, cans, newspaper and cardboard
- 3 containers for commingled at
   69 locations across the property

#### **Recycling Program (cont.)**

Outlined in Residents Manual

Periodic articles in monthly

newsletter

Board Approves Contract for Reserve Study



## Recycling Program (cont.)

- Plastics, cans, bottles taken to Waste Management facility in Fairfax County
- Newspapers taken to Recycle America
- Leaves and debris taken to facility in Fairfax County

#### **Recent Developments**

- Pilot Program with Arlington County
- Leaves delivered to Arlington County recycling facility
- No charge
- Christmas trees also
- Will assess early next year

#### Recent Developments (cont.)

#### **Benefits:**

- Lower costs for condo association
- Increase in County and condo recycling percentages

## **Key Challenge Going Forward**

 Increasing recycling of household trash

 Only 15% of household trash is recycled

#### **Major Impediments**

- Resident Turnover
  - ➤ Resales more than 1,000 sales (from 1703 units) in past four years
  - ➤ Rentals 40% renter occupied, but condo association doesn't act as landlord

## Major Impediments (cont.)

 Breaking through the "information clutter"



#### **Next Steps**

- Increase publicity about recycling
- Work with Christine and Chip on developing additional strategies by a review of best practices
- Consider appointing a task force on recycling to adapt lessons learned elsewhere to Fairlington's environment



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